Report of Accomplishments Fiscal Year 2005

Adams Soil & Water Conservation District

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Counties Served Adams & Washington

Legislative District(s) #9



Function or Conservation District Mission

To provide local leadership in the conservation development and productive use of soil, water and related resources. To act as a catalyst to bring people and programs together, to bring about a quality way of life, a quality resource base and a quality environment.

Natural Resource Improvements Summary

- The District assisted 5 landowners with Conservation Security Projects (CSP) and 9 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) projects.
- Conservation plans for 739 acres of cropland were planned and developed.
- Conservation plans for 5,164 acres of grazing land were developed.
- Irrigation improvements of 5,759 feet were made.



Conservation District Priority #1 - Water Quality

The District worked with NRCS to provide information to landowners about EQIP and CSP funds available. The District participates in and provides clerical assistance to the Little Salmon Watershed Advisory Group. The District provides educational information to landowners and cooperators through newsletters, newspaper articles, and fair exhibits. The District also provided funding for a student from Council Elementary School to attend the 4-H Natural Resources Camp. The topic for this year was Water Quality. The District provides a water jet tree planter for riparian establishment that is available to all County residents.

Conservation District Priority #2 – Croplands – Irrigated and Non-irrigated

- Held an informational meeting, and assistance to landowners for EQIP contracts.
- There was 3,730 feet of high-pressure underground pipe installed, 100 feet of steel pipe, and 575 feet of pipeline laid.
- Four watering facilities were installed

Conservation District Priority #3 - Rangeland

• The District promotes improved rangeland management through reseeding, delayed having, and weed management.

• The District participated with Adams Cooperative Weed Management on a weed tour that assisted landowners and cooperators in plant identification and treatment of noxious and invasive species.

Conservation District Priority #4 – District Operations

- Develop Annual Workplan
- Oversee daily District operations.
- Provide a tour or educational workshop for community and cooperators.
- Participate in Little Salmon Watershed Advisory Group
- Participate in West Central Highlands RC & D.
- Provide educational materials & assistance to local schools.

Information & Education/ Public Outreach

Adams Soil & Water Conservation District worked cooperatively with the Adams Cooperative Weed Management Agency to provide a weed tour in Adams County. A school bus shuttled members of the communities in Adams County to areas of concern identified by Adams County Weed Control. The areas included past treatment projects, new infestations, and future project sites. Lunch was provided, and a chemical representative on how to calibrate your sprayers ended the day with a demonstration. The District provided funding for an elementary student to attend the State 4-H Natural Resources camp. Teachers in Adams County are provided educational information, and teaching assistance through the District office.

Community Collaboration & Coordination

- Participate in CSP and EQIP outreach meetings to encourage participation in programs.
- Participate and provide clerical assistance for Little Salmon WAG.
- Provide a liaison to the West Central Highlands RC&D.
- Participate in Adams County Natural Resources Board.
- Hold a legislative luncheon for local government officials to coordinate conservation efforts.

Synopsis of Assistance Coordinated for Constituents with Conservation Partners - to plan, design and implement best management practices to protect, enhance, and conserve Idaho's renewable natural resources.

Source	Purpose/Benefit	Funded Amount
Adams County	District Operations	\$ 2,980.00
State of Idaho	District Operations	\$ 6,937.00
Little Salmon WAG	WAG support	\$ 1,356.00
USDA Farm Programs	Conservation	\$ 219,417.00

Idaho Conservation Districts assisting landowners & operators with their conservation choices

